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Weather Forecast for Monday.

WASHINGTON, June 4 .- Oklahoma and Indian Ter riters: Threstening weather, with showers Monday afternoon; probably fair and warmer Tuesday; south erly winds, becoming westerly.

For lows: Showers and probably cooler in southern

pertion Monday; probably fair Tuesday, preceded by showers in eastern portion; variable winds. For Missouri: Showers and cooler Monday; prob showern Tuesday; southerly winds.

Threatening weather, with showers in eastern portion Monday; probably fair Tuesday; vari-For Nebraska: Threatening weather Monday, with

Tuesday, variable winds. For Colorado: Threatening weather, with showers

in extreme eastern portion Monday; probably fair Tuesday; variable winds.

KANSAS CITY'S GUESTS.

This week the national convention of the Woodmen of America, a fraternal organization numbering about 400,000 members, will be held in Kansas City and it is estimated that at least 75,000 strangers will be within our gates on this occasion. This tion of this title. We merely give space to enormous gathering presents opportunities and imposes obligations on the people of this city. It should be the earnest desire of all public-spirited citizens to contribute as far as possible to the entertainment of these guesis. It is the ambition of all promoters of Kansas City interests to make this place a great convention city. The Woodmen convention will afford the first opportunity to show what we can do with a great convention body. It will be the first test of Convention hall as a place to hold these big meetings. Therefore, for both business and neighborly reasons, it should be the aim of all to assist in making the strangers welcome.

Mayor Jones has issued a proclamation asking the business men of the city to make Thursday a holiday. On that day will be the morning parade, in which 10,000 the Arena Woodmen will march, and the afternoon speeches at Convention hall. It is needles to say that so far as practicable this request will be most cheerfully responded to. The granting of a holiday is quite as much of a compliment to the visitors as to balmy breezes blow from Westport laden the local members of the order. When the with woodland odors modified occasionally convention is over it will be pleasant to by a whiff from the packing houses; our know that the delegates and their friends lovely dams is, charming in their shirtlike the way Kansas City does things.

TANNERY PROSPECTS BRIGHTER. In view of the marked advantages of Kansas City as a tanning center and the live public interest in the subject, the news, published in The Journal of yesterday, that Woodmen will have a good time in Kanthe city has its first tannery in running sas City. order must have been very gratifying to those who take note of our material ad-

industry would rival the biggest concerns of an American poet: that now give energy and importance to the city. That these hides should be made into leather here is evident, and the evidence should have great weight with the stranis an '4 and familiar story.

The Democrats of Kansas City have or- make the Saratoga chips fly. ganized for the purpose of making a strong The ax is a tool of great antiquity and pull to secure the national convention of has played a conspicuous part in the drama

Meanwhile what are the Republicans doings of the national organization. The in sure dwellings and in quiet resting movement should be kept alive, and ac- places." tion should not be too long delayed.

A CONSERVATIVE RADICAL.

The editor of the Chicago Open Court, a somewhat conservatively radical journal devoted to "the religion of science and was the most famous woodchopper wheresides of the question, and while he deprecates bloodshed and thinks he can see past, this is what he says of the present bloodshed to hurry them into unreasoning willy old celestial. Li Hung Chang, is an from the moral backing which they receive axes upon the thick trees." from the anti-expansionists of the United

the presence of armed hordes in the new ally more anxious to "cut ice" than to provinces, nor recognize the legality of a chop cordwood, Nevertheless, if any Wooddictatorship upheld by military force. We cherish the confidence that our administration means to do what is right; that it will ultimately endeavor to establish home been ceded to our government; that it will allow them the utmost range of liberty which the people of these districts can stand, and that if mistakes have been com mitted the grievances caused thereby will in time be duly redressed."

If reasonable anti-imperialists will go down into their consciences and reflec there awhile, we are confident they will find that they are not justified in saying more than what this conservative radical

THE DANGER OF OVERWORK.

The advice which is so freely offered at this time of year to shun over-exertion would be gratefully received and widely followed if the world were free to follow its inclinations. Most of us work under a taskmaster of circumstances, but a taskmaster no less real and exacting than the overseer who drove slaves in the olden days. Happily this taskmaster is a beneficent institution for us in the main. But it is true that those whose naturally active temperament conspires with the pressure of circumstances need the warning against approaching too close to the danger-point. Such natures can only be scared into relaxation. The actual economy of a brief layoff, even it it goes with loss of pay, is a showers in extreme eastern portion; probably fair consideration that is hard to learn, but it is a sound principle. While Mr. Roosevelt urges us on to the strenuous life, it is better for a few weeks at least to listen to the summons of Walt Whitman, to "loaf and invite our souls."

THE WORM TURNED.

To save ourselves from being involved in the difficulties we call attention to, we shall not indicate more closely the applica the interesting facts. The Arena, which was once almost the organ of the Boston Christian Scientists, has been publishing some investigations of the cult which, it they had appeared in a newspaper, would have been considered a "roast." The B. C S.s have taken the matter thus anyway and have instituted proceedings against th recreant magazine, in the way of an injunction against the publication of further slanders and of a suit for damages in the sum of \$10,000 for the publication of a copyrighted portrait of Mrs. Eddy, the founder of the sect. The injunction covers also the sale of the copies of the Arena containing the portrait. There are not many people who could put so high an estimate upon their counterfeit, but Mrs. Eddy is without doubt an extraordinary person. Probably the suit is worth more than \$10,000 to

APROPOS OF THE COMING OF THE

WOODMEN. The Woodmen come to Kansas City at a most opportune moment. The town is fair to look upon in its summer garb; the waists and nautical hats are ready to greet the axmen with their most engaging smiles, and strawberry shortcake in tempting ripeness sheds a rosy glow over every lunch counter and table d'hote, a thing of beauty and a joy evanescent. Surely, the

It is to be hoped, however, that the visitors will refrain from cutting down vancement. It is true that the tannery will the shade trees that adorn our streets and start on a small scale, that it is in a measure experimental, and that it depends on people of Kansas City set great store by the success of a new process; but the ex-periments have gone so far and have re-sulted so satisfactorily that the formation of a large company and the erection of a days of their youth. Any overt act in this big pilint seem assured, especially as the direction by a man with an ax will at capital has all been pledged, and by men once arouse the curiosity of the vigilant who mean business when they undertake a and sleepless "cops" who guard the municipality with watchful and terrible eye. To The new process is said to overcome every cut down our trees is to violate, not only hindrance that has hitherto stood in the a civic, but a higher law. For is it not way of developing the tanning possibilities written: "When thou shalt besiege a city and resources of Kansas City. It is said . . . thou shalt not destroy the trees to be quite as applicable to Kansas City as thereof by forcing an ax against them?" to any other center, and to be cheaper than The Journal, recalling its younger days, knows the difficulty of refraining from If this beginning should lead to the ultimate conversion into leather of all the a juicy slippery elm, but the above injunchides that are produced here, the tanning tion of Moses and the celebrated warning

Woodman, spare that tree, Touch not a single bough,

gers within our gates. But if they will persist in using their axes a more pleasing KANSAS CITY AND THE NATIONAL task suggests itself; they can visit our numerous hostelries, take a mutton chop and

their party in 1900. This organization is of life. In early times it was the symbol encouraged by some rather substantial as- of brute force more used in the cracking surances from leaders of high standing and of sconces than in splitting stovewood. Tyinfluence. Every loyal Kansas Cityan, ir- rants found it an effective and handy respective of politics, hopes that the move- means of getting rid of their enemies by ment may be crowned with success. The chopping off their heads, but in most cases Democrats are going about the thing in the the tyrants in due time came to the block themselves and matters were thus properly evened up. But it is pleasanter to think ing to advance the candidacy of this city of the ax as a potent factor in the arts for the convention honors of their party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers for the convention honors of their party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers next year? It is time that the purpose, if there be a fixed purpose, to try for the wilderness; with it they fashioned and Resulting provention about the clay the wilderness; with it they fashioned and the convention honors of their party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose, if there is about the clay the Woodmen will the clay the Woodmen will indifficult thought-obstetric. Will praise the deed grandious of their party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose, if there is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the clay the Woodmen will the clay the Woodmen will indifficult thought-obstetric. Will praise the deed grandious of their party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose, if there is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose, if the purpose, if there is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose, if there is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose, if there is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose, if there is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose, if there is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose, if the purpose, if there is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose, if the purpose is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose, if the purpose is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose, if the purpose is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the purpose is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the peace is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the peace is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the peace is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the peace is a party of peace. By its use the hardy pioneers the peace is a party of peace. Republican convention should be crystal- fitted a few roughly hewn logs, when lo! a citizen. lized into definite organization. Fortunate- home rose in the forest primeval, where The substitution of regulars for volunly, energetic efforts to secure one of the patriotism found secure lodgment, where mise the chances of securing the other. gality inculcated. The early settler was By striving for both, Kansas City should indeed a woodman par excellence. With at least secure one. By striving for one the ax and some incidental assistance from only, Kansas City may get neither. The the rifle, he subdued kingdoms and wrought Republicans of this city have had consid-righteousness. So that in the end "the erable encouragement from their sound- people dwelt in peaceable habitations, and

Many eminent men have found solace and pleasure in the use of the ax. George Washington began when a boy using a hatchet, according to his strength. Lincoln the science of religion," would be expected of the world holds record, and a chip off to appear in the list of the "anti-imper- the old block, too, as his father was a lalists," But he looks carefully at both hewer of wood as well; Horace Greeley could swing an ax as vigorously as he could write and with much more legibility. where mistakes have been made in the Gladstone, too, was an axman of renown, mingling brushwood and treetops with afand the future, and we commend it to fairs of state in a way that gave many a those who allow their natural horror of diplomat the cold chills; and no doubt that crats cannot win if they abandon silver, condemnation of the government: "In the excellent woodsman, since he is known to face of the fact that Aguinaldo and all be remarkably expert with the chopstick. those who have taken up arms against the Even in the days of the Psalmist "a man United States draw their main strength was famous according as he had lifted up

It is not to be supposed that any of the States we deem it a patriotic duty not to Woodmen honoring our city with their join in the hue and cry of those who un- presence come here with axes to grind. reasoningly condemn our administration. That laborious operation may be well left them next Thursday, Mr. Bryan would on Memorial day in the showing made

man wishes to sharpen up, there is plenty of grit in Kansas City for the purpose.

The people of Kansas City are glad th Woodmen have come to town, and while rule in all those territories which have we have no latchstrings to hang out, the electric button is within reach and new doorknobs have been put on in honor of the occasion. Our visitors may help themselves, and if they don't get what they want, let them ax the mayor.

> THE MERIT SYSTEM IN THE ARMY. Probably most people have an impression that the merit system already obtains in ous appeal in the Outlook for the intro- by the statesman from Maine. duction of something better than the present system of "lineal promotion," which is, he states, merely a question of longevity. He declares, moreover, that the supposed great advantage of the present system, the exclusion of political "pulls," is merely theoretical; that "pulls" that will work under a merit system will work also under the present system. Mr. Parker believes "that the satisfactory performance of dangerous, exacting, or arduous duties should find prompt and substantial recognition in men who, by special effort and study, make themselves fit for higher duties, or who the beam at less than 100 pounds." win it fairly on the battlefield, should be promoted." We are inclined to agree with

STEVENSON'S CREED. Someone has picked out this declaration and entitled it his creed: "To be honest: to be kind; to earn a little and spend a little less; to make, upon the whole, a family happier for his presence; to renounce, when that shall be necessary, and not be embittered; to keep a few friends, but these without capitulation; above all, on the same grim condition, to keep friends man has of fortitude and delicacy." The excellence of such a declaration of faith depends much upon the temper and conditions of the man. This is not the creed of an active, aggressive man, but its chief features are good for all climates. A religious journal remarks that it "contains spirit of all the good teaching of the university or the railroad." world, but does not seem to be distinctively Christian.

SENSE ABOUT SCHOOL READERS. Mr. Edwin H. Lewis has recently pubduring the adolescent age is merely formal, them at a good premium. the student loses one of the best influences Democratic Consistency. that the school can ever give him. Literature ought to serve as a prime agency in the education of the emotions, and, indirectly, of the will." By which Mr. Lewis means plainly that young students should be led by all means to the enjoyment of good literature, to enthusiasm over its beauties and the love of the noble characters it introduces. But that he does not reading of a selection with judiciously interspersed exclamation points is shown followers." by his apothegm: "Gradgrind and enemy of gradgrind the teacher must be within

A GENTLEMANLY PROFESSION.

It has been said that the impression prevails in a certain great Eastern university that it is a gentlemanly thing to enter the Haske a big bet Upon good old "Weit" Episcopal ministry. Probably there was a And then go bet more touch of envy or of cynicism in the remark.

Nevertheless, it is a good sign if such an impression exists regarding even one denomination, providing it be in the best and make it snort.

And men go bet more That he will get The Octo-pus Yet Into a muss;

Grip it where the haar is short And make it snort. pression has been all too common that the ministry is a profession for sentimental, idealistic young men, who lack the vitality to fight their way through the "world," or the fight their way through the sound from the same incapable of receiving enough comsense of the word "gentleman." The im- Oh yes, mon sense to deal with men in other relations of life, or who possess an exceptional measure of the overflow of unctuousness and the snivel of sanctimony. But happily the idea is changing, and the pulpit is coming slowly to be regarded as a place for high-minded, clean-hearted and also courageous, sensible, vigorous men. That is what we mean by a gentlemanly profes-

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Woodmen procured cut rates, but it was the railroads, not the men with axes, that did the cutting.

It is not yet decided whether Mr. Kurtz But he had a glaive.

Our Mose has nuthin 'tall But his gall. kinson to Sam Jones' Aguinaldo.

It is understood that Mr. Hanna still

With regard to location of places of in-

great political conventions do not compro- virtue was nourished and honesty and fru- pinos any more of a regular thing than

informing his countrymen that silver will There is a rather robust opinion in this

Clam in handcuffs would make a tremen-dous drawing card at the Paris exposition. Und das is vas is los Mid Mose. Who has arose.

crats cannot win if they abandon silver, except the other fact that they are sure to be defeated if they do not abandon silver.

And told a tale of mighty wees, Concluding so—
"The Octopus must take its clothes are to be defeated if they do not abandon silver."

The truly good are greatly shocked at the

Our administration could neither tolerate to the politicians, who, however, are usu- have no objection to the Woodmen mak- in the report of the decorating committee: this be Bryan's platform? Will the con-

ing a few mental calculations in regard to There is one class of Mr. Hanna's ene-

nies who never have an orderfunity to reolce over Mr. Hanna's downfall. It is those who defer the merrymaking until after the overthrow takes place.

The Chicago physician who took a con iding people into his confidence some weeks ago and announced that the public career of John P. Altgeld was at an end cannot assume too humble an attitude in endering his apology.

The ardent admirers of Thomas B. Reed the regular army, since the method of that will not waste any tears over the defeat branch of the service is so often pointed to of Representative Hopkins. Hopkins reas a model by civil service reformers. But cently announced that if elected speaker Lieutenant John H. Parker makes a vigor- he would not pursue the methods employed

Of course, if the silver mine owners want heir wishes are entitled to consideration. a campaign with certainly ought to have something to say about the platform.

MISSOURI POINTS.

They Don't Believe It. "Those Filipinos are Missourians," in- the governor said most of them had strongsists a Nodaway county editor, "on the the form of increased tank and pay;" "that question of Funston's size. You've got to show them that the little general tips

Her Baby Show Is Safe.

"St. Louis may congratulate herself," observes a sympathizing North Missouri editor, "upon the fact that neither the governor nor the legislature can interfere with sage and the orders that called him to his of principles from Robert Louis Stevenson her baby show, but outside of that the governor has a rather tight grip on the town.

Auxious to Save His Usufruct.

The Holt county man who, the other day, took from under the cornerstone of his house \$600 in gold which he had deposited there thirty years ago is said to have decided to invest the sum in Mexican dollars in the belief that only in that way can he with himself; here is a task for all that a demonstrate that his money has not lain had one such a homecoming as awaits idle all this time.

Columbia's Greatest Glory.

"Columbia," rejoices the Herald, "which has long been celebrated and useful in so many other ways, is becoming a social center and a matrimonial emporium. The marriage market always receives a boom as the spirit of Christ's leachings, though it the result of our commencement season. oes not declare Christ." It contains the And this is a greater glory than either the

High Grade Paper.

County and municipal bonds issued by Missouri's thriving communities are looked lished an "Introduction to the Study of upon as giltedged securities and are in con-Literature for the Use of Secondary and stant demand. Columbia's recently author-Graded Schools" which is really a school ized school bonds bear only 4 per cent inreader, and a good one; but it is his view terest, but numerous offers of par have on the uses of readers to which we wish already been made for them, and the board to call attention. "If the study of English is confident of being able to dispose of and the union jack join the circle of the

"The Democratic members of the late lamented legislature were strongly opposed," remarks the Brookfield Gazette, "to government without the consent of the lea has always regarded with peculiar governed' among the civilized and enlight- sympathy. It will be a visit of a repreened Filipinos, but refused to adhere to that principle when making laws for the people of the great cities of St. Louis and doms. But above even such considerations Kansas City. And yet the people of those what an incident it will be for the Olymmean that a recitation is to consist of the two cities ought to be as capable of selfgovernment as are Aguinaldo and his dusky

Mose and the Octopus,

You can't heat Mose, Lemme terry to Mose who?
Say, did you
Ever chew
T'bacey and don't know him?
Gwan! Douse yer glim!
I mean Mose Wetmore. emme tell ye th

Round his manly form And tall,

Saint George Didn't do a thing to the Dragon, Did he?
Well you'll get giddy
When Mose goes to charge
Octopus. Without invidiOusness iet me declare
George was a good old wagon
In the days when, in its lair,
He pulled the whiskers of that braggin'

Drapon, But he's done broke down Since Mess came to town. And Gilliat, in Hugo's book, Certainly took Great pride and a hard fall Out of the Devil fish

It is understood that Mr. Hanna still looks with severe disapproval on the noxious plant known as the political boss.

The local forestry commissioner, however, will not be any more important functionary this week than other city officials.

With regard to location of places of in
Our Mose,
Accius lendin breath.
Would talk the Octopus to death,
And then, with mighty whoop.
Serve him as mock-turtle soup
At anti-trust dinners.
Who, with scorn hivose,
Majesty rugose,
Pathos pluviose,
And everything that goes

The substitution of regulars for volunteers cannot make the defeat of the Filipinos any more of a regular thing than it is already.

The New York Press refers to Hon.
Billy Mason as "a solemn clown." This is a contemptible slander. Mr. Mason is known to be quite jolly.

Nothing but the high price of cable tolls prevents the Hon. Arkansaw Jones from informing his countrymen that silver will

country that the president could expedite the peacemaking in the Philippines by calling off his peace commission.

A group consisting of Dreyfus restored to liberty and Esterhazy and Du Paty de Clam in handouffs would not be compared to the present of the present men getting rich, and, with a mighty curse, he clam in handouffs would not be compared to the present men getting rich, and, with a mighty curse, he clam in handouffs would not be compared to the work of the wo

-Bildad, in the St. Louis Mirror

Many More Mounds. A realization of the thinning of the ranks president's recent civil service order. Mr. of the aging veterans on this side of the Cleveland could hardly have been more river and the swelling hosts of heroes pained if an entire catch of fish had slipped who have gone over to answer to the roll call on the great campground beyond While he is delivering his address to was vividly brought to mind in Maryville

"In May, 1883, at the first decoration of the graves in Maryville we scattered flowers on the graves of but twelve soldiers. To-day the number has increased until ninety-eight mounds mark the last resting places of our comrades."

Small Hope for McAfee.

Governor Stephens' reply to the reques for clemency made by a delegation from Jasper county in the interest of James Mc Afee, whose execution for the murder of Eben Brewer is set for Wednesday, afforded the petitioners no hope. There was nothing in the showing, the governor declared, that would warrant him in interfering and the law would have to take its course 'Circumstances may arise," he said. which may cause me to change my mind. but, gentlemen, I will give you no hope was one of the pleaders in McAfee's beo hold Bryan down to the 16 to 1 issue half, tells the Press that the halls and had come to plead with Governor Stephens for brotner, husband or father now under sentence of death. There are seven statute, to the great relief of the business convicted murderers besides McAfee for whom leniency is being prayed, and er claims upon his clemency than McAfee had.

The Admiral's Voyage.

From the New York Tribune.

The admiral is on his way home. He has retraced with leisure the voyage which he made with haste across the South sea a year and a month ago, and now rests in the harbor where he received the mescareer of glory. Soon he will set forth from that port again, not on a perilous untried seas, but on the glad venture in homeward trip through friendly waters and amid the world's acclaim. Often have American commanders made noteworthy voyages in all parts of the world. Never before has an admiral of ours ploughed a furrow half around the world in circumstances such as these. Never before did one do such deeds as his at such remo ness from the fatherland. Never before George Dewey.

It is an interesting circumstance that the first port he enters after leaving the American port at Manila is one beneath the British flag. It is a still more interesting the United States and France, the idea fact that in the whole voyage home, from being, by friendly rivalry, to test the mercial capital of the American realm, the and in this. The Parisian "chauffeurs," admiral need touch at none but English as the automobile drivers are styled, are York. Everywhere he will be saluted by successfully. These sportsmanlike boasts the flags of all nations. But everywhere have been challenged by an American off the high seas he might be under that maker and the result is a race is on. flag which we have of late learned so effectively to twine with the stars and will be one which will show the all around stripes. Had he come home by way of the capacities of the rival machines. The Pacific he would have touched at none but American challenger wants a thousand-American ports. Coming by the Atlantic, he might enter none by British. Thus does pared; in other words, to make a service the domain of Anglo-Saxondom enclasp test of the automobiles' speed, endurance the domain of Angio-Saxonion that the world. Thus do the stars and stripes and means of propulsion. In every way and the union jack join the circle of the this would be the most satisfactory to the globe. He chooses, however, and not unwisely, to come home in leisurely fashlon, making detours from the direct course and touching at many another port. Of special interest will be his visit to Athens. It will be a visit of one of America's foremost citizens to a country which Amersentative of the greatest modern republic to the seat of the greatest ancient repub suggestions will rush to the mind at the visit of Dewey to the city of Themistocles! can recall no incident more powerfully appealing to imagination, and as well to sober and practical meditation, than this visit of the foremost naval representative of this great and growing naval

power to the seat of the first great naval power in history. It was the boast of the first American known, that he had found a new world has won a new realm, not only from Leon and Castlle and for America, but from the development. and Castile and for America, but from the darkness of despotism for the light and fate of Columbus to find himself abused and his vast discoveries so ill-used as to make the name of Spain a curse in them It must be the happier lot of our admiral to be not without honor in his own country, and to have his conquests so wisely administered that his name and the name of his fatherland will be held there in everlasting honor. Those who followed Columbus made what he had called the fairest land on earth a veritable hell. Those who follow Dewey will make the summer isles which he has won more truly isles of

Eden than they ever were before. Such is the purport of the admiral's home coming. Such is the opportunity which the guns of the Olympia have opened to this nation. Such is the responsibility with which her cargo freights us. The admiral has shown himself well worthy of the American name. It is henceforth for America to remain worthy of his achieve

Socialism as a Cure for Trusts. From the Chicago Post

One of the leading speakers of the Louisville silver conference struck what may prove to be the keynote of the Democratic national campaign against trusts. Bryan himself, the silver leader, has not a single dea upon the subject, and the St. Louis anti-trust banquet was, as was pointed out at the time, remarkable chiefly for the emptiness, perfunctoriness and staleness of the contributions to the solution of the problem. And as the Democrats are deermined to frame a "ringing" anti-trust declaration, it is curious to speculate as to

The Louisville speaker referred to proved himself to have, at least, a distinct idea and the courage to promulgate it without ifs and buts. But that idea happens to be socialism. To go on denouncing trusts, the orator declared, was the cheapest kind of political demagogy and an insult to American intelligence. Contrast this with Bry-an's mock-heroic assertion that to denounce trusts at this time is as courag ous as to climb San Juan hills or awim rivers under an enemy's fire! Trusts can not be resolved back into their original ele ments, urged the orator, and all legislation whether state or federal, is futile and worthless against them. They have comto stay, and the Democratic party mus recognize the fact and turn it to popular ful, a benefit to the people instead of a

But how? Simply by "municipal and governmental ownership of all monopolies which it is practicable for a government as yet to control." The "as yet" is sig nificant. It means that thoroughgoing so cialism is impossible at the present stage of our national and political development though it is to be held up and accepted as the ideal, the ultimate goal to be reached. But whatever can be at once transferred to municipal, state and federal ownership and control should be so transferred. In other words, let the government buy the business of the trusts and displace them gradually. Let it go into manufacturing and distributing industries and serve the people where the trusts think only of prof-

its and personal advantage. This is socialism. From Jeffersonian Democracy to this is a far cry, but the Louisville orator is doubtless ready to admit that the party must abandon Jeffer son's idea of minimum interference and ask?" borrow the ideas of the socialists. Will

vention adopt such a plank with regard to the trust problem? If not, what remedy will it propose?

The Anti-Trust Laws.

From the New York Times (Ind. Dem. There is a curious coincidence in the fact that the Texas anti-trust law goes into operation almost exactly at the same time that the anti-trust law of Arkansas s declared by the courts to be fatally de fective.

The two laws are substantially the same Indeed the lawmakers of Texas have to a great degree copied the very words of the Arkansas statute. Both seek to punish by fine, and in some cases by prison, all perons who try to raise prices or limit production or restrict competition or the sale of goods or of services by any kind of agreement, combination, or tanding. Both laws go so far as to make illegal the acts of men who reduce prices the purpose of crushing competition. of saving your man." John Flanigan, who All this sounds ridiculous to anyone with a fair knowledge of business and of the limits of practicable legislation. But we must remember that in principle it is not corridors around the governor's office were a whit worse than the law that was passed The men who put up the money to run filled with men, women and children who by the legislature of our own state and which was found utterly ineffective the mo ment it reached the courts. A like fate has befallen the Arkansas

men of the state, but not until a lot o damage was done. The law undertook forbid any insurance company doing business in the state from charging rates tha had been agreed to by other companies. This is not the language of the law, but i s the effect. As soon as the law went into operation the insurance companies from outside the state contested its validity, and pending the decision withdrew from the state. The result was that for several months millions of property went uninsured and the business in cotton especially was most seriously crimpled. Finally the court have decided that the law as it relates t companies outside of the state is invalid These companies will resume business, and the outcome for the present of the antitrust legislation will be that the insurance business of home companies will be sus pended

This is a free country, and the one public school that is open to all is that of experience. Instruction in it is not gratuitous and apparently the business of the country will have to settle the bills for these lessons in legislation

International Automobile Racing.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer The first international automobile race is being arranged between representatives of our remotest possessions to this commer- its of the machines built in that country ports. From Hong Kong to Singapore, to Colombo, to Aden, to Suez, to Port Said, side of France in general and Paris in parto Valetta, to Gibraltar and thence to New ticular can possibly compete with them

It is to be hoped that the test to be made mile race over roads not specially pre public, which is more interested in a safe, sure and serviceable article than in one which sacrifices everything to speed.

The pending race is, of course, a build ers' race, intended merely to attract attention to their special makes and familiarize the public with various advantages the phrase, "There's nothing like leather," of the automobile, but as the machine come to stay such tests are of general interest.

They're at the Top.

From the St. Louis Republic. In the selection of a young St. Louisan for the important position of manager of ciation had been running a farm in Kent, 1600 there is found additional proof of the high athletic rank being taken by the collegians of the West in the leading edu- and well again after from three to twelve

of the East. St. Louis and Missouri are now most creditably represented in baseball, football, Ludlow and the Would-Be Briber. aquatics and other outdoor sports at Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Columbia. The low, now military governor of Havans, It was the boast of the first American stalwart lads of the fifth state in the admiral, before the name America was Union are more than holding their own some years ago, in charge of river and harin the fields where bone and muscle count. bor work, he was visited by a contractor for Leon and Castile. It is the prouder A study of averages in the honors won boast of this American admiral that he in scholarship contests will show, also, that

sound bodies is what counts for the most forceful achievement of modern man. That section of country which develops the best section of country which develops the best type of man on this basis is doing the carefully. Then he handed the burning best work for the country at large.

Giover went a fishing to catch a mess of trout: Along came a farmer, saying: "Hey you, there; git out!"

The hole where Grover angled was the only on Where the speckled little beauties, as it happened, could be found.

"Good sir," said Grover, smiling in his most be-witching way.

But the frowning farmer stopped him to emphatically

"Git out, or else, by ginger! I'll sie the dog on versity is larger by several millions than it Come, hurry, or I'll have to take the pitchfork to you, too!"

Then Grover took his tackle-his confusion was in-

And, with elephantine movements, tried to clamber o'er the fence. The rails broke down beneath him-Mosea! what a fall was there! The farmer jawed him roundly, there were rockets in the air.

But the statesman got untangled from the rails, at

They may he broke a record when the farmer shout-

He longed to be postmaster, and he said so, but Grover merely told the farmer to go on raising gar-

That farmer owned the trout poel wherein Grover cast his fig. And the moral should be patent to a man with half an eye. —Chicago Times-Herald. The Girl Behind the Gum.

Now if you meet a slender lass, Whose cheeks contain a solid mass. And she greets you with a yum' yum' y And her jaws look like they'll break, Just pity her for habit's sake, For it's Mae-The girl behind the gum!

If on a car you chance to ride,
And down she sits right by your side,
And you hear that awful yum? yum? yu
Don't be starmed, just calmly sit,
And do not think she has a fit,
For it's Mae-The girl behind the gum!

Then if you've led a bachelor's life, And think it time to choose a wife, Be warned about that yum! yum! youn! For it's ten to one you will regret if for a wife you chance to get "Chewing Mue"-The girl behind the gum

From One Point of View.

"So she has refused you?" said the na "She has," replied the titled but impe

cunious foreigner.
"Ah, well," said the native consolingly that in the late summer or early fall winds 'a disappointment in love-"Hardly that," interrupted the titled for eigner. "Rather a disappointment in bus-iness."

From the Harlem Life. Maud-"Did George kiss you last night. Ethel-"Certainly he did not; why do you

A ROAD TUNE.

Oh, there is morning vonder. And night and noon again; And I must up and wander

Away sgainst the rain. The forests would delay me With a thousand little leaves; The hilltops seek to stay me,

The mist denies the mountains The wind forbids the sea; but, mist or wind, I go to find The day that calls to me

For there are mernings yonder, And noons that call and call; And there's a day, with arms outheld, That waits beyond them all. -Josephine Preston Peabody.

THE WATERFALL.

Tinkle, tinkle! Listen well! Like a fairy silver bell Lightly swinging In the air; 'Tis the water in the dell There the eifin minstrels dwell, Falling in a rainbow sprinkle. Dropping stars that brightly twinkle, Bright and fair, On the darkling peol below, Making music so; 'Tis the water cives who play On their lutes of apray. Tinkle, tinkle!

Like a pebble in a shell; Tinkle, tinkle!

Listen well. -Frank Dempster Sherman.

CAMARADERIE. Just grown discouraged do you dwell apart, Misunderstood while all life seems divine No longer in the world in your own heart

Where sun nor moon may shine? WILLIAM GRIFFITH.

OF CURRENT INTEREST.

Like a fairy silver bell;

in Effective Parody. The story is told, the New York Tribune laims, as an actual happening of the choir boys of an Episcopalian church, who took sides with the high church rector against the low church congregation. The processional cross had been introduced, but was withdrawn on account of the strong objection to it. The following Sunday, the ovs varied the familiar words thus:

Onward Christian soldlers. Marching as to war With the cross of Jesus Hid behind the door.

At first the congregation did not catch the words, but as they were repeated a smile spread over the faces of all. After that the cross was never "hid behind the for the parody had accomplished what the rector had been unable to do. It was believed that the boys originated the skit, but it is more likely that some of The bishop of Springfield, Bishop Seymour is the author of the version, and he first quoted it at a meeting of the house of bishobjected to the use of the cross in Trinity

"Real Thing" Vegetarians.

About 200 vegetarians and their friends sat down to dinner the other evening in London. Bottles were on the table, but they contained only milk and lime juice cordial r soda water, for those who deride chops, joints and beefsteaks hold temperance enets also. Latitudinarian vegetarians drink milk and eat eggs, cheese and butter, but stricter members of the cult will not touch anything connected with the anhas and have their boots made of stout woven cloth. The royal toasts having been duly nored, the chairman proposed, "Increased Success to the Movement," remarking that they were setting a glorious example which would one day be emulated at the Guild hall. For three years past the asso Yale university crew for the season of where regularly fifty or sixty men were

The story is told of General William Lud-The West has reason to be proud of sign as to whether he had noticed this these young fellows whose names appear high on the lists of college athletes. The happy combination of sound minds and sound hodies is what countries to the table and not seek that the sound hodies is what countries to the table and not seek the contractor one of them. Then, sound hodies is what countries to the table and not seek the contractor one of them. turning to the table and not seeing a a lighter, set it affame at the open grate

stump of the bill to the contractor. Mrs. Stanford's Philanthropy.

Mrs. Stanford's gift of the bulk of all her wealth to the Stanford university, of California, places her up in the very front rank of the philapthropists of her sex. To be sure, she is only carrying out those wishes expressed by her husband before he died, but the manner in which she has undertaken to carry out those wishes is creditable to her intelligence, fidelity and generosity. The vast estate which now goes to swell the funds of the Stanford uniwas when it was bequeathed to her, and the benefits to be derived from it will be

correspondingly increased. Spectacular Worship.

Rev. Mr. Wilson Carlile, rector of St. Mary-at-Hill, London, is an up-to-date priest. He takes a trombone with him into the pulpit and when the singing be-comes spiritless he livens it up with a few blasts on that instrument. During the greater part of the service the church is darkened, and the hymns, prayers, sacred and other pictures are thrown by limeand sent
It unto Graver, when the latter was the matter's altar. Besides an organ there is an orchespresident.

college mortar boards. Anti-Microbe Construction

A German savant has constructed a bacilius-proof house. The supply of air is first forced through a pipe; it is then filtered through cottonwool, and, lastly, is driven against a sheet of plate glass coated with glycerine. This is supposed to catch all the bacteria which have not been seized by the cottonwool. It is built entirely of glass, that the heat of the sun may kill any stray microbes that have entered by

Cassini Is a Coin Expert.

Count Cassini, Russian ambassador at Washington, is an expert on coins. friend recently showed him an old Egyptian one, which "was made so long ago that even the place of its creation was for-gotten." "Yes," replied the count, sighing, "I must be getting pretty old, for I remember the Birmingham shop that urned them out at 3 shillings 6 pence the Will Kite a Fing to Dewey.

E. I. Horsman, the Brooklyn kite expert,

perfecting arrangements to send a flag far out to sea on the day Admiral Dewey approaches New York. Mr. Horsman says has studied the winds, and is confident

favorable for the experiment may be ex-pected, and he will make the trial. There will be a string of kites to carry the flag. Professor Charles J. Herrick, of the chair

Cartwright Prize Winner.

of biology at Dennison university, Granville, O., is winner of the \$500 Cartwright prize of Columbia for the best essay on medical subjects, open for competition to the world. Maud-"Nothing, only he just told me Professor Herrick's subject was "The Brain and the Fish." He is only 30 years old.